SB 407 -- PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS

SPONSOR: Shoemyer (Deeken)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Special Committee on Government Affairs by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill allows a public water supply district to contract with another water district or municipality to sell water in the other entity's service area.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2008, FY 2009, and FY 2010.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill clarifies the law to allow municipalities to trade water. Water districts and municipalities currently co-mingle and transfer water on a regular basis. This correction will make those transfers legal.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Shoemyer; Missouri Rural Water Association; and Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.